

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## KC MAN PLEADS GUILTY TO CHILD PORN

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man pleaded guilty in federal court today to charges related to child pornography.

**Dion Devinny**, 46, of Kansas City, pleaded guilty before U.S. Chief District Judge Dean Whipple to publishing a notice to display child pornography over the Internet.

By pleading guilty, **Devinny** admitted that he posted a notice on the Internet in a Yahoo! group offering to distribute an image of child pornography. Anyone in the group who clicked the download option in the notice would receive the image of an adult male engaged in oral sex with a naked female toddler.

Investigators with the Croatian Interior Ministry in Croatia documented this and other postings, Graves explained, and forwarded the results of their investigation to investigators with the Federal Bureau of Investigation in the United States.

**Devinny** also agreed to forfeit to the government a Western Digital hard drive, 177 floppy disks and three CD-ROMs, which were used to commit the offenses.

Under federal statutes, **Devinny** could be subject to a mandatory minimum sentence of 15 years in federal prison without parole, up to 30 years in federal prison without parole, plus a fine up to \$250,000. A sentencing hearing will be scheduled after the completion of a presentence investigation by the United States Probation Office.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Katharine Fincham. It was investigated by the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

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